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SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Does this mean that anybody of any age of any...anybody can circulate a petition? I mean let's just say high school students got an idea that they didn't like the way city council people were...I mean, is it really applying everywhere?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you for the question and I know that we've talked about that before and my recollection is, no, you still have to be of voting age in order to circulate a petition. And I'm going to look at Committee Counsel, and she's shaking her head yes.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: But other, beyond that, if you're the age of 18...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: You can come in here from California and circulate petitions. You can come in from, I suppose, Iraq, if you want to, and circulate petitions. You do not have to be a registered voter.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay. I just...it's very broad. I wasn't aware of the court decision so I...that's why I had to ask. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. I see no further lights. Senator Schimek, you're recognized to close on the committee amendments.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I just want to clarify for you, I think I responded correctly, but Committee Counsel says that the Buckley decision said that we could have other restrictions, but we just can't have that one, Senator Wehrbein. So with that, I would urge, reluctantly and with great loathing, the committee amendment's adoption.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Schimek. You've heard the closing. The question then is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 444. All in favor please vote aye, and opposed no. Please record.